

COMMAND SERGEANT MAJOR RONALD D. WRIGHT US Army, Retired



CSM Ronald D. Wright is a native of Fort Smith, Arkansas. He served in the US Air Force from 1971 to 1975 as a Parachute Rigger. In 1979, he enlisted in the US Army as an Intelligence Analyst. SPC Wright served as the Senior Intelligence Analyst and as the Assistant Noncommissioned Officer in Charge of the Battle Information Coordination Center, 3rd Brigade, 101st Airborne Division, Fort Campbell, Kentucky. SGT Wright was then assigned to the Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 2nd Armored Division (Forward) in Germany. Because of his leadership and professionalism he was selected as the Noncommissioned Officer of the Year for US Army, Europe in 1983.

SSG Wright returned to the US and served as an Instructor, Intelligence Analyst Course, US Army Intelligence Center and School, Fort Huachuca, Arizona. He then became Senior Instructor for the Noncommissioned Officer Academy until 1986, teaching Intelligence Analysis. In 1987 he returned to Germany and served as the First Sergeant for Headquarters and Headquarters Battery, 56th Field Artillery Command (Pershing Missile). In 1990, MSG Wright reported to the 111th MI Brigade, Fort Huachuca, where he became the Operations Sergeant Major responsible for planning, operations, and training of over 6,000 officer and enlisted personnel. After eight months, MSG Wright served as the First Sergeant of Charlie Company, 304th MI Battalion, 111th MI Brigade, the only deployable Pioneer Unmanned Aerial Vehicle (UAV) Company in the US Army. His leadership was instrumental in the development of the 96U Military Occupational Specialty (MOS), Tactical UAV Operator. He also served as a subject matter expert, briefing senior Army leadership on the UAV program. He helped develop policies and procedures for UAV airspace management, ensuring the safety of air traffic. 1SG Wright was selected for promotion to Command Sergeant Major and attended the Command Sergeant Major's course.

In 1994, CSM Wright reported to Fort Hood, Texas as the Command Sergeant Major, 522nd MI Battalion, 2nd Armored Division, later reflagged as the 104th MI Battalion, 4th Infantry Division. Two years later, CSM Wright returned to Germany to become the Command Sergeant Major, 302nd MI Battalion, 205th MI Brigade, and then as the 205th MI Brigade Command Sergeant Major. CSM Wright was chosen to be the Command Sergeant Major of the US Army Intelligence and Security Command (INSCOM), Fort

Belvoir, Virginia. CSM Wright's leadership was instrumental to INSCOM's architecture, force structure, training, budgeting, and combat development. At the time, INSCOM was responsible for over 12,500 Soldiers and Civilians located in 21 countries around the world.

CSM Ronald Wright retired in 2001 after serving his country honorably for 26 years. His awards and decorations include the Distinguished Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal (4 Oak Leaf Clusters), Army Commendation Medal (3 Oak Leaf Clusters), Army Superior Unit Award, National Defense Service Medal (2nd award), Vietnam Service Medal, NATO Medal, Republic of Vietnam Campaign Medal, and Army Air Assault Badge.

CSM Wright was inducted into the MI Hall of Fame in 2009.